

CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Somerville Public Schools - School Committee Goals/District Improvement Plan - 2005-2006

- Goal #1: To improve instruction by implementing the Somerville Standards district-wide across all populations and through the block schedule, and utilize concrete data related to specific areas of need, all tied to increasing MCAS Proficiency scores and meeting AYP.
- Goal #2: To maintain the comprehensive Professional Development needs of the district, aligned with Goal 1, and to accommodate the new Salary Lane of M+45 that begins in September 2006.
- Goal #3: To establish coordination regarding compliance and equity for MCAS progress and AYP requirements in each school and department.
- Goal #4: To produce a comprehensive plan for the Somerville Public Schools with articulated educational and organizational goals and a comprehensive facility plan.
- Goal #5: Continue to promote open lines of communication among the stake holder groups in Somerville.
- Goal #6: To efficiently and effectively use School Department funds for operating the district and the schools and providing staff, programs and services to benefit children and learning.
- Goal #7: To maintain facilities for children and staff that provide positive environments conducive to learning, working, and community activity.
- Goal #8: To Continue to Support School and City Technology Coordination.
- Goal #9: To Continue to Diversify Staff.
- Goal #10: To improve Service Delivery by reconfiguring staffing and administration.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN CHAMBERS REGULAR MEETING – November 7, 2005 - 7:00 P.M.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

I. CALL TO ORDER

Call to order with a moment of silence and a salute to the flag of the United States of America.

II. AWARDS AND CITATIONS

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes to be approved for printing:

October 3, 2005

- Regular Meeting

October 17, 2005

- Regular Meeting

October 24, 2005

- Finance and Facilities Committee of the Whole Meeting

IV. STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

V. REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

VI. REPORT OF SUBCOMMITTEES

A. ***Finance and Facilities Committee of the Whole*** : Ms. Bastardi (Oct. 24)

Subject(s) discussed:

- ✓ Billrolls
- ✓ Budget Timeline Draft
- ✓ FY2006 Quarterly Operations Review
- ✓ FY2006 Estimated Copier and Duplicating Costs
- ✓ FY2006 Chapter 70 and Net School Spending
- ✓ FY2006 Charter School Financing

Motion(s) from Committee of the Whole:

- To approve the FY2005 billrolls
- To approve payment of the 2005 Invoice for JSC Transportation Services, Inc. in the amount of \$3,840.00 out of the FY2006 funds
- To approve the FY2006 billrolls
- To accept the budget time line as written, along with the budget timeline benchmarks

B. ***Rules Management Committee of the Whole*** : Ms. Foster (Nov. 1)

Subject(s) discussed:

- ✓ SPS Wellness Policy for Pre-K – 8th Grade
- ✓ AG Safe Schools Initiative Policy
- ✓ SPS Policy Manual Revisions Update

Motion(s) from Committee of the Whole:

- To refer the Attorney General's Safe Schools Initiative Policy document and other related policies already in the SPS Policy Manual to legal counsel for review and recommendation

C. ***Ed. Programs and Instruction Subcommittee*** : Ms. Foster (Nov. 1)

Subject(s) discussed:

- ✓ High School Youth Risk Behavior Survey
- ✓ Review of Pep Grant and Data

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Report of Transient Students - Superintendent Pierantozzi

VIII. NEW BUSINESS**A. Field Trip(s) – (Recommended Action: Approval)**

Nov. 18, 2005: Next Wave School, Mr. Ciampa and Ms. Robichaux, Grade 6-9 class, to Roger Williams Zoo, Providence RI. Transportation by school van at a cost of \$5.00 per student.

B. FY2005 SCALE/ADP Graduates – (Recommended Action: Approval)

Ms. Susan L. Barnard, SCALE Supervisor, recommending that the following students, who have successfully completed the requirements for graduation from SCALE, be granted their diplomas:

Lauren Ashley King	31 Prescott Street, #2	Somerville	02143
Carlos Antonio Pina, Jr.	18 Madison Strreet	Somerville	02143
Rosette Jacinthe Preval	192 Cedar Street, #2	Somerville	02145
Jeffrey Winston Kelm	349 South Main Street	Concord, NH	03301

C. SHS Summer School Graduates – (Recommended Action: Approval)

Mr. Thomas F. Galligani, SHS Headmaster, recommending that the following student, who has successfully completed summer school and earned the required credits, be granted a SHS diploma:

Rosa Huaman

IX. ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**X. COMMUNICATIONS****A. Five-Year Progress Report of SHS**

Letter received from Ann L. Ashworth, New England Association of Schools & Colleges, Inc. (NEAS&C), notifying Thomas Galligani, SHS Headmaster, that the Commission on Public Secondary Schools, at its September 18-19, 2005 meeting, voted to accept the Five-Year Progress Report of Somerville High School and to continue the school's accreditation.

B. Note of Appreciation

Mr. Jim Monagle, acknowledging the Somerville School Committee's kind expression of sympathy during the loss of his mother, Sarah "Theresa".

XI. PERSONNEL

Complete report submitted to members. Recommended Actions: Receive and place on file.

A. Retirements

1. Marianne Ferraro, 15 Erwin Rd., N. Reading, MA 01864, (Grade 5 Teacher @ Healey School) effective June 30, 2006. (23 years)

2. Dr. Elaine McMichael, 483 Swains Pond Ave., Melrose, MA 02176 (Director of Art and Music) effective June 30, 2006. (34 years)
3. Gerald Knight, 9 Whitman Rd., Medford, MA 02155 (Director of Physical Education & Athletics) effective June 30, 2006 (37 years)
4. Virginia Galligani, 10 Copley Place, Billerica, MA 01821 (2nd Grade Teacher @ Brown School) effective June 30, 2006. (27 years)

B. **Resignations**

1. Barrett, Deborah, 8 Kilsyth Terrace, Brighton, MA 02135 (Part time ESOL teacher @ SCALE) effective June 30, 2005.
2. Bourdonne, Isabelle, 62 Hillside Avenue, Quincy, MA 02170-3220 (Part time ESOL counselor @ SCALE) effective June 30, 2005.
3. Cerusici-Rubik Samanta, 22 Cedar Street, Somerville, MA 02145 (Part time ESOL teacher @ SCALE) effective June 30, 2005.
4. DeNucci, Amy, 90 Orchard Street, Somerville, MA 02144 (Part time ABE/ASE teacher @ SCALE) effective June 13, 2005.
5. Jecmenica, Nada, 104 Walnut Street, Watertown, MA 02472 (Part time ESOL teacher @ SCALE) effective September 1, 2005.
6. Levine, Deborah, 136 Highland Avenue #28, Somerville, MA 02143 (Part time ESOL teacher @ SCALE) effective September 6, 2005.
7. Lynn, Sarah, 30 Ames Street, Somerville, MA 02145 (Part time ESOL teacher @ SCALE) effective June 20, 2005.
8. Mase, Christie, 11 Pershing Road, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130 (Part time ESOL teacher @ SCALE) effective June 30, 2005
9. Sheila Breen, 48 Grant St., Lexington, MA 02420 (SPED Paraprofessional @ Healey) Effective October 28, 2005.
10. Rosensweig, Gloria, 10 Woodside Road, Winchester, MA 01890 (Part time ABE teacher @ SCALE) effective September 1, 2005.
11. Soares, Sherry, 154 Adams Street, Waltham, MA 02453 (Part time ESOL teacher @ SCALE) effective June 6, 2005.

C. **MATERNITY LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

1. Pamela Feffer, 10 Pluff Ave., N. Reading, MA 01864 (.5 teacher @ WHCS) from approximately December 2005 to April 10, 2006.

XII. **ADJOURNMENT**